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ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

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A steering column assembly for a vehicle includes upper and lower column assemblies and a central collapsible steering column drive shaft mounted in upper and lower bearings and a central bearing comprising a cylindrical plastics tube that surrounds the steering column and is slidably mounted in the upper column assembly and rotatably supports the central collapsible steering column at its lower end.

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